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**SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025**

**THE MOST HOLY BODY  
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

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As a Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Tucson,  
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The doors of Saint Ann’s Parish and Its Missions  
are open to all who wish to enter.

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Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Mass- St Ann’s Parish  
Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at  
9:00 a.m.

Entrance Antiphon

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock

Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may delight for all eternity  
in that share in your divine life,  
which is foreshadowed in the present age  
by our reception of your precious Body and Blood.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

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Announcements/Events from St Ann’s & Dioceses



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Adoration of the blessed sacrament:  
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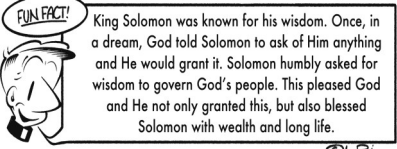
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“Where was Solomon’s temple located?”

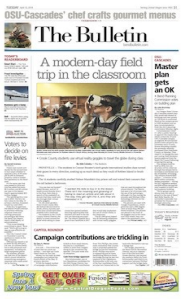


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For June 14 & 15  
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Important Reminder

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your hand, Please **do not** step to the  
side and then consume it. You **must**  
consume the host **in front** of the Eucharistic Minister  
before heading back to your seat.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Sacred Vessels

Have you ever paid attention to the purification of the sacred vessels after Holy Communion? If  
you haven’t, I highly recommend doing so this Sunday. See the care with which the priest  
handles the chalice and the paten, pouring water into them to cleanse any loose particles of the  
Body and Blood of Christ. Observe the loving reverence he uses in wiping them dry with a  
special purificator. It’s a ritual unto itself, and a powerful moment for reflection.

These vessels begin as earthly objects. They are made by human hands. There is nothing special  
about them — not until they go about the work for which they have been created. Until they  
contain the Body and Blood of Christ, they are only ordinary objects. But after they have carried  
within them the Eucharist, they are never the same. They will always be special and deserving of  
special care.

That’s why partaking of the Eucharist is, for us, an evangelical undertaking. It is both a  
transformation and a declaration. When we accept this tremendous gift, we are proclaiming what  
we believe, and we are accepting the grace to follow through on that commitment.

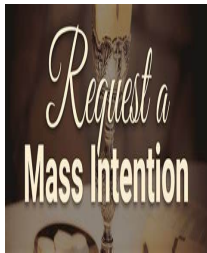
When we are receiving the Eucharist, it is not possible for us to be passive. We become the  
vessel. We carry Christ into the world with us.

But do we act like it? Do we treat ourselves — our bodies, our souls — with the same respect as  
the priest cleansing the chalice? Do we treat one another with the reverence we would reserve for  
a sacred object? When we look at another person with anger or irritation or envy, do we  
acknowledge the change that we have willingly undergone by receiving Christ’s Body and Blood  
into ourselves?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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The practice of requesting a mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic Tradition. Continuing in this long standing practice, you can remember someone who has died recently or many years ago. But intentions do not have to be just for the dead. They make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc.

You can also offer an intention for †call or come to the parish office to set up a mass intention. Mass intentions are \$10.00 each

All mass intention must be done a week before mass date to be posted in the bulletin.

†Deceased      ♥ Health      \*Special Intention

Saturday, June 21, & 28, 2025    Ofelia Gonzalez Berryman †    St Ann's

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- Lk 9:16-17

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Questions of the Week  
Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

**First Reading:**  
In reaction to the thanksgiving meal of bread and wine, Abram generously gave Melchizedek a tenth of his possessions. What could you give back to God this week out of gratitude?

**Second Reading:**  
Paul tells us from the very beginning the early Church celebrated the Eucharistic meal as a remembrance of Jesus' death and as central to our faith. How does the Eucharist strengthen your faith?

**Gospel:**  
The miracle of the feeding of the 5,000 underscores Jesus' desire to feed us. What do you find yourself hungry for today?



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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

**First Reading:**  
"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, the creator of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who delivered your foes into your hand." (Gn 14:19-20)

**Psalm:**  
You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek. (Ps 110)

**Second Reading:**  
For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. (1 Cor 11:26)

**Gospel:**  
Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. (Lk 9:11b)

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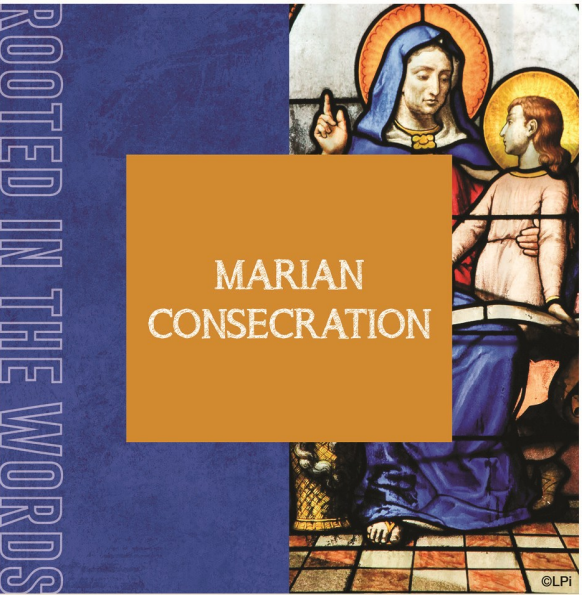
Live The Liturgy  
Inspiration of the Week

Five loaves and two fish: a measly portion of food for such a large crowd of people. But we must remember that it doesn't matter what the size of our offering is. If we only lay it before Christ, he will take it and make it a mighty bounty.

Observances for the week of  
June 22, 2025

- Sunday:** The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
- Tuesday:** The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- Friday:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Saturday:** The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr and Doctor of the Church

**Next Sunday:** Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles



Devotions, Explained!

Marian consecration is the act of consecrating oneself to Jesus through the intercession of his Blessed Mother and is rooted in the words of Jesus himself when he beseeched the Apostle John to look upon Mary as his mother (John 19:27).

Prayer for the  
True Presence

Jesus,  
What a gift we have in your True Presence: the assurance of your friendship, your company, your grace, your love. Increase our thirst for you as you, also, desire to draw closer to us.  
Amen.



(PRACTICING)  
CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** Sometimes we forget that we *need* the Eucharist. It's not just a nice thing to have, a sweet act of devotion, something to bolster our faith. The Eucharist is none of those things. The Eucharist is the food without which we will die.

**As the Day Was Drawing to a Close**  
It isn't uncommon for me to get to the noon hour only to realize that I haven't yet eaten anything that day.

It drives my husband crazy. He was raised by a bunch of Italian women, so he can't help but think three meals ahead. And don't get me wrong, I love food — I literally dream of donuts. But some days, I'm just so busy and I keep putting it off until I realize how weak I feel, how light-headed. And I think to myself: *Stupid, you've done it again.*

This is what comes to mind today, on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, as I read the Gospel account of the miracle of the loaves and fishes.

I think of hunger, distraction and the poor planning of those who pride themselves on being capable.

"As the day was drawing to a close," it is written — that's when the disciples finally realized that 5,000 hangry people is not an ideal situation.

I wonder, did Jesus roll his eyes when they came to him, and think, "Finally"? At any point he could have pulled out a fish and said a blessing. But he waited for them to ask. He waited for them to realize how badly they needed it.

Sometimes we forget that we need the Eucharist. It's not just a nice thing to have, a sweet act of devotion, a sacramental item that bolsters our faith. The Eucharist is none of those things. The Eucharist is the food without which we will die. The Eucharist is something we must seek out. Remember: the day is drawing to a close.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?  
Catholic Life Explained

**Question:**  
I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

**Answer:**  
Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do.

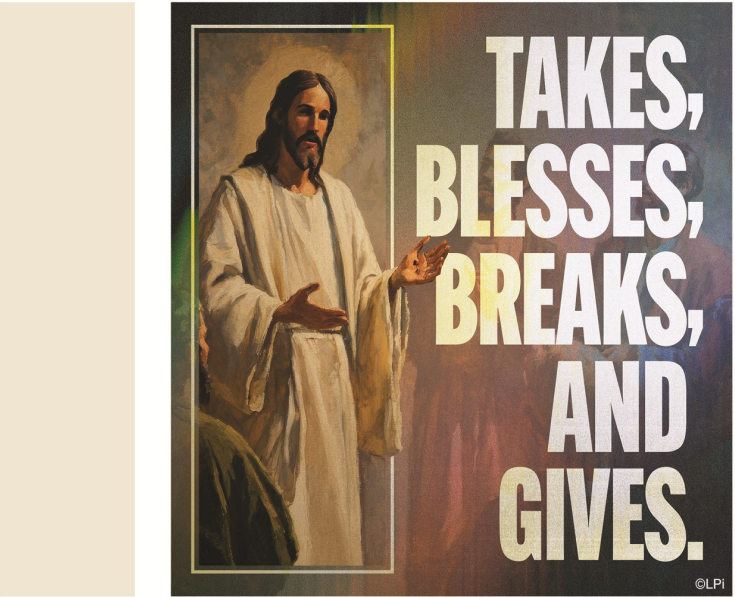
There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel.

Readings for the week of  
June 22, 2025

- Sunday:**  
Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 (4b)/  
1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17
- Monday:**  
Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/  
Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday:**  
*Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab  
and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
- Day:* Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/  
Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Wednesday:**  
Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mt  
7:15-20
- Thursday:**  
Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/  
Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 7:21-29
- Friday:**  
Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/  
Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7
- Saturday:**  
Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53,  
54-55/Mt 8:5-17
- Next Sunday:**  
*Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/  
Jn 21:15-19
- Day:* Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/  
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19



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Gospel Meditation  
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A Catholic friend of mine occasionally says, "The Eucharist is not a noun. It's a verb." In so saying, he is making the point that the Eucharist isn't simply Jesus' bodily presence given to us in holy Communion. It also manifests the dynamic pattern by which Christ actively loves and saves us. He teaches us to cooperate with that pattern. This Eucharist actually embodies four verbs: Jesus takes, blesses, breaks, and gives. Let's consider each one.

He **takes**: Do we acknowledge that we are totally in God's hands? Do we receive everything in our lives as a gift, and act responsibly with it?

He **blesses**: Do we actively reflect that Jesus makes us holy in our baptism? Do we embrace our bodies and souls as temples of God, worthy of love, peace, and joy?

He **breaks**: Do we run from failure and disappointment, from getting old or being ignored? Are we too worried about getting hurt or sick? Do we embrace our sufferings with confidence?

He **gives**: Are we willing to make our lives a gift for others? Are we confident that we will always have enough love to give to others, that God will always provide enough for us? Do we rejoice in giving away what we have to others, expecting nothing in return? This is the dynamic life the Eucharist empowers us to live.

— Father John Muir